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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Marchand et al.

Examiner: A. Small

Serial No.: 10/049,284

Group Art Unit: 1626

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Title: METHODS FOR PREPARING PERFLUORINATED [18F]-RADIOLABELLED  
NITROIMIDAZOLE DERIVATIVES FOR CELLULAR HYPOXIA  
DETECTION

**REPLY**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated August 9, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.